

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification

Please substitute the following amended paragraph(s) and/or section(s) (deleted matter is shown by strikethrough and added matter is shown by underlining):

Page 18, line 4 – line 7:

The upper mixing members 146 are offset from the lower mixing members 140, as most clearly illustrated in Figs. ~~7 and 8~~ and 9, such that as the lower rotating member 134 is rotated, the lower mixing members 140 pass between the upper mixing members 146. The upper mixing members 146 and the lower mixing members 140 may be configured such that the upper mixing members 146 and the lower mixing members 140 scrape against each other to thereby reduce the accumulation of slurry on the upper mixing members 146 and the lower mixing members 140.

Page 18, line 15 – line 17:

The slurry mixer 120 preferably includes a slurry mixer dust collection system 149 that captures dust that is generated during the slurry mixing process, as illustrated in Fig. ~~4~~ 3. Depending on the size of the portable concrete plant 10, the slurry mixer dust collection system 149 may collect and dispose of dust collected therein or it may recycle the dust to the slurry mixer 120. Since the amount of dust generated in the slurry mixer 120 is typically not large enough to warrant the expense associated with capturing and recycling the dust, the dust collected in the slurry mixer dust collection system 149 is typically disposed of.

Page 20, line 9 – line 11:

The operation of the components of the portable concrete plant 10 is preferably controlled with a hydraulic system. Using the hydraulic system is preferable because hydraulic systems have the ability to produce high levels of forces in a relatively safe and reliable manner. The hydraulic system also permits infinitely variable control of the speed at which components such as the conveyor belt are operated. A person of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that it is possible to use alternative mechanisms to control the operation of the components of the portable concrete plant 10 using the concepts of the present invention.